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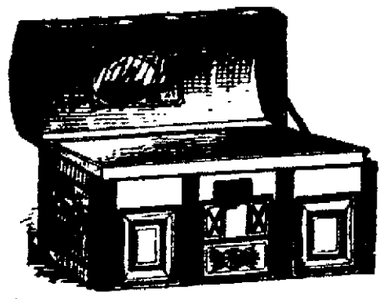
THE FAIR.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.—The time was when Santa Claus manufactured his own gifts. But since we have gone in the toy business he finds they can be bought cheaper than he can make them. The first thing when he rides in town is to enquire if it has a SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, and he comes early, is much too wise to wait until the final rush, when the best has been selected and just what he wants is sold. Below are a few of his special orders. We are satisfied he knows what to order that pleases old as well as young.

We think he has a large place in his heart for little girls as he nearly always begins on

DOLLS.

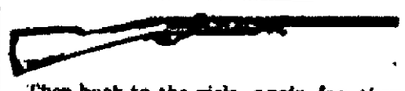
He buys the J. D. K. kid doll, the very best on the market, from 10c to $3 50, and the prettiest dressed doll, 13 inches, in different colors, with hat to match, for 25c. Talk about jointed dress dolls. You should see his smile when examining their silk and satin dresses, fancy hats, etc., 35c to $1 89.



Trunks come next to pack their clothes in with tray, lock and key, 25 to 98c.

Doll Carriages

And go-carts. Upholstered, parasol, etc., 25c to $2.50. Then we know very well he leaves the little girls for a time to find something jolly for the boys. How he does rattle it off. Sleighs that just suit them from 25c up. Stationary engines, magic lanterns, swords, steel toys, they can bang about, from 10c up. Rocking horses, tool chests, pocket knives, tops, violins, horns, drums, etc., from 10c up. We wish you might see him when he catches the games. Think he will need more reindeers to draw those large regular 50c games for 22c; blocks for 10c that sell elsewhere for 25c. One thing we will just whisper so the mamas won't hear. He never forgets the



Then back to the girls again, for they as well as the boys, love those lovely books for 5 and 10c and what all mamas are paying 35c for he gets at 22c, and those bright lithographed linen books at 5c, everyone else sells for 10c.

He knows no girl's house is complete without a piano to accompany her brother's horn.

Now back he comes for another load. This time it is white cradles, gold knobs, etc., 25c up, with white dressers to match. Toilet stand, all complete. Extension tables, from 25 to 98c. Oak side boards, high chairs, dishes, china and britannia; 4 bottled castors 10c; Bissel's toy sweeper that does the work as well as the larger ones at 15c. Oh, yes; we nearly forgot the kitchen. Here is the iron stove and furniture, 25c up, iron and stand 5c, brooms 5 and 10c, dust pans 5c, wash sets, etc. Then there is the baby's stocking to be filled with bright rattles, rubber toys, knit dolls, chimes, cows, sheep, donkeys, horses, dogs, etc., with double rocking horse, tray attached to keep the toys in, from 50c to $1.75, or a small willow or white rocker, plush seat, etc., 25 to 98c. Black boards and desks 25c up, small office chairs 98c.

Our reputation for fine china at cheap prices is so well established it seems a waste of time to mention it. But we have so many new pretty pieces that we want you to know about, in comb and brush trays 25c, bread plates 25c to $1.50, dainty cups and saucers 10 to 98c, salads 25c to $1.50, celery trays, celery salts to match, bread and butter plates, chocolate pots, cracker jars, condensed milk jars, lera jars, pudding dish frames, placques, shaving mugs, ink stands, syrup jars, candle sticks, oat meal sets.

Game sets, with platters and 12 plates to match, pin trays, bone dishes, olive dishes, jardinnirs, bric-a-brac, bisque figures, etc.

If you want Rodgers' A No. 1 table ware for half the price you have been paying, we are ready for you with a full line A. D. spoons, tea, table and dessert spoons, sugar shells, butter knives, berry spoons, cold meat forks, child's set, knife, fork and spoon, etc.

Sterling Silver Novelties

You could hardly believe without seeing the STAMP could be sold so cheap. We can fill your toilet table, desk, work basket, etc., with useful as well as ornamental novelties.

Or if you have more money than you wish to spend, we have the purses to keep it in.

We have much the largest line of handkerchiefs in the city. Warranted all linen from 5c each to 75c to $1.50 per box.

Also full line perfumes and atomizers.

You Know

Your wife has hinted time and again for a dinner set. Now is the time to please her. We have a line to choose from that you cannot fail to please her. Will guarantee every piece to not craze. Just go round, get prices, come to us last. Look at the potter's stamp and see if we do not do as we advertise. Sell the best for the least money.

Some of you need a lamp or toilet set more than a dinner set. Well we are all right on those also.

Owing to our immense order for lamps for our six stores, we have been a little late in getting the line complete. But we are now ready to show a line that has never been equalled in Middletown. Our lamps are PERFECT, latest styles, tasty decoration, simple construction, best of workmanship and finish, central draft insuring a perfectly clear and steady white light, no flickering and no smoking.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,

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THINK, AND LOOK AND READ.

But you will find no present that will please as well and be of such genuine

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A thorough and scientific examination FREE before or after presentation. I Do Repairing

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Office Hours:—8 a. m. to 6 p. m. Open evenings from 7 to 9 until X-mas.

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I WILL Exchange "Locksley Hall" with the farm of ten acres all lying in the city limits, for a house and lot centrally located, or will trade it for good rentable property. Rare opportunity to quick dealer.

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FINE Assortment of oil dressed Chamois Skin, for long shields, etc., etc. Can be washed and will dry soft, 10c to $1 at

JOHN J. CHAMBERS', Druggist, 57 North St., near Depot.

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street. Full line of fine shoes. New line of overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices.

NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT!

We have completed our preparations for the approaching holidays, and suggest that an early visit will afford better opportunities for deliberation and the advantage of a complete stock to select from.

Men's Velvet Slippers,	50c
Men's Brown Imitation Alligator Slippers,	50c
Men's Black Imitation Alligator Slippers,	50c
Men's Velvet Slippers 75c. Men's Tan Vici Opera Slippers,	$1
Men's Black Vici Opera Slippers $1 Boys' Black Velvet Slippers,	60c
Boys' Tan Pearl Everett, 60c Youths' Velvet Everett,	50c
Ladies' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25
Ladies' Black Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1 25
Misses' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.00
Children's Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.00

Selections made now will be set aside until called for, or delivered any time previous to Christmas

SAMUELS' ONE PRICE SHOE STORE,

No. 11 North St., Middletown.

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"A HANDFUL OF DIRT MAY BE A HOUSEFUL OF SHAME." CLEAN HOUSE WITH

SAPOLIO

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

An Extra Large Stock of the Finest Perfumes, Toilet Sets, Celluloid Goods, Aluminum Ware,

Cut Glass Bottles, Atomizers, Mirrors, etc. We have the goods and the prices are right.

TUTHILL'S PHARMACIES, 27 James and North corner Cortland street

M'KINLEY IN GEORGIA

Notable Speech at Savannah Saturday Night.

WE MUST KEEP THE PHILIPPINES

Duty Required Their Seizure and Duty Requires Their Retention. They Must Have the Benefits of American Government.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 19.—President McKinley spent Saturday afternoon and evening in Savannah. The entire city gave him a welcome, and all the business houses were closed during his stay. In the afternoon he reviewed a military parade. In the evening he spoke at a dinner given in his honor at the De Soto hotel. Mr. McKinley's speech, advocating the retention of the Philippines, was as follows:

"There is cause for congratulation that, with the grave problems before us growing out of the war with Spain, we are free from any divisions at home. Our financial and revenue policies cannot be changed for at least four years and whatever legislation may be had affecting them during that period will be to improve and strengthen, not destroy them. The public mind can therefore repose in reasonable security, while business will proceed without apprehension of serious and sudden changes, so disturbing to the commercial world and so distracting to the business man.

"All of this is fortunate for the country, for every interest and every section of the country. Even those who desire other and different policies prefer permanence to constant change or, what is almost as hurtful, the fear of change. There are happily now no domestic differences to check the progress and prosperity of the country, which our peaceful relations with the whole world will encourage and strengthen. This is fortunate, too, in another sense. It leaves the country free to consider and discuss new questions which are immediately before us unbiased by party or political alliances.

"These new questions are to be thought out and wrought out, not in a spirit of partisanship, but in a spirit of patriotism; not for the temporary advantage of one party or the other, but for the lasting advantage of the country. Neither prejudice nor passion nor previous condition can embarrass the free action and calm judgment of the citizens. We have entered upon new paths. We are treading in an unexplored field, which will test our wisdom and statesmanship. The chief consideration is one of duty; our action must be controlled by it. No settlement is admissible which will not preserve our honor and promote the best interests of all concerned.

"With a united country and the gathered wisdom of all the people, seeking only the right, inspired only by honest purpose, moved only by duty and humanity, we cannot err. We may be baffled or deterred and often discouraged, but final success in a cause which is altogether unselfish and humanitarian can only be deferred, not prevented.

"If, following the clear precepts of duty, territory falls to us and the welfare of an alien people requires our guidance and protection, who will shrink from the responsibility, grave though it may be? Can we leave these people who, by the fortunes of war and our own acts, are helpless and without government, to chaos and anarchy after we have destroyed the only government they have had? Having destroyed their government, it is the duty of the American people to provide for them a better one. Shall we distrust ourselves, shall we proclaim to the world our inability to give kindly government to oppressed peoples whose future by the victories of war is confided to us? We may wish it were otherwise, but who will question our duty now? It is not a question of keeping the islands of the east, but of leaving them. Dewey and Merritt took them, and the country instantly and universally applauded. Could we have brought Dewey away without universal condemnation at any time from the 1st of May the day of his brilliant victory, which thrilled the world with its boldness and heroism? Was it right to order Dewey to go to Manila and capture or destroy the Spanish fleet and to dispatch Merritt and his army to re-enforce them?

"If it was duty to send them there, duty required them to remain there, and it was their clear duty to annihilate the fleet take the city of Manila and destroy the Spanish sovereignty in the archipelago. Having done all that in the line of duty, is there any less duty to remain there and give to the inhabitants protection and also our guidance to a better government, which will secure to them peace and education and security in their life and property and in the pursuit of happiness?

"Are we unable to do this? Are we to sit down in our isolation and recognize no obligations to a struggling people whose present conditions we have contributed to make? I would rather have the confidence of the poet Bryant when he exclaims:

"'Thou, my country, thou shalt never fall;
Seas and stormy air
Are the wide barrier of thy borders, where,
Among thy gallant sons that guard thee well,
Thou laugh at enemies. Who shall then declare
The date of thy deep founded strength or tell
How happy in thy lap the sons of men shall dwell?'

"My fellow citizens, whatever covenants duty has made for us in the year 1898 we must keep."

The president's speech was evidently made for the purpose of preparing his case for presentation to the senate and was punctuated by storms of comment in answers to the questions he asked and with applause at every sentence. The enemy was wildest when he said, "Dewey and Merritt took the Philippines," and when he asked if it were right to send Dewey there and Merritt and his army to re-enforce him his audience yelled, "Yes! yes!" times innumerable. His conclusion was greeted with one of the fiercest outbursts which his speeches have regularly brought forth in the last few days, and a shout of "You're a winner!" was the lead for more affirmative cheers.

President McKinley attended church yesterday at the Wesley Monumental Methodist church.

Mrs. McKinley did not accompany him. She is suffering from a slight cold and remained at the hotel. Her indisposition, however, does not amount to real illness, and this afternoon she was able to take a carriage ride about the city.

The president was met at the door of the church by leading members of the corporation, who escorted him to the pew reserved for him. As he entered the congregation arose and remained standing until he had taken his seat. The sermon was by the Rev. John A. Thomas, D. D. There was no reference to the distinguished presence during the service beyond an invocation by the preacher for divine guidance for the president during the crisis which now confronted the country.

Secretary Alger and General Shafter attended the First Presbyterian church and after the service held an informal levee in the aisles, many persons crowding around them to shake hands and bid them welcome.

General Joseph Wheeler and Secretary Wilson worshiped at the First Baptist church. After the service they shook hands with several hundred people.

After dinner the president visited the Georgia State Agricultural and Mechanical college (colored), where he delivered an address. The route to the college took the president through the camp of the Seventh army corps, and going and coming he stopped at the camp for a brief inspection and to speak words of appreciation and encouragement to the men.

Secretary Alger and General Shafter also visited the camps. Secretary Alger paid more attention to the camp than any other member of the party. He went through several of the regimental villages from headquarters to kitchens and made a critical examination. He also visited the hospital of the First division, where he spoke kindly to the sick men and made inquiries inth their wants and how they were supplied. After his trip he expressed himself as very much gratified with the camp and the work of the hospital corps.

The members of the visiting party spent the evening in the parlors of the hotel until the time came for them to depart for Macon, for which place their train left at midnight. On the way to the depot the president was greeted with hearty cheers, as indeed he has been every time he has come within sight during his visit here.

Resignation of Dr. Abbott Accepted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—At a business meeting of the members of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, held yesterday afternoon the report of the advisory committee on the resignation of Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott as pastor was adopted, with a few dissenting votes. During the past week efforts were made by both the old and young elements of the congregation of Plymouth church to have Dr. Abbott withdraw his resignation, but to no avail. A deputation of members of Plymouth church called on Dr. Abbott's physician and were informed that they should not insist on his holding the pastorate, as further strain of preaching might have serious and lasting effects. Dr. Abbott will continue to fill the pulpit at Plymouth church until the 1st of May. He will after that date give his time exclusively to editorial work on a weekly magazine.

Edwin Gould's Match Deal.

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—The deal by which capital supplied by Edwin Gould is to be invested in Detroit for the manufacture of matches has been consummated. Late Saturday afternoon S. B. Miller of New York, Mr. Gould's agent, who had been in the city for several days, closed a deal whereby Mr. Gould and his associates in the Continental Match company came into possession of the old Detroit motor works property in the northern part of the city, on the line of several railroad companies. The Continental Match company will be turning out matches from its new plant here within three months. Four hundred persons will be employed at the start.

Rios Calls on the Queen.

MADRID, Dec. 19.—Senor Montero Rios and the other members of the Spanish peace commission reached Madrid late Saturday evening. They were met by Senor Gamazo, leader of the dissenting Liberals, and by many other politicians and high officials. Their arrival was not attended with special incident. Last evening the queen regent received Senor Montero Rios in audience. The newspapers assert that Saturday's council of ministers agreed that the cabinet should not appear again before parliament, and it is believed that Senor Sagasta will submit the resignation of the cabinet to the queen regent after the council this afternoon.

Lighted His Fire With Oil.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., Dec. 19.—Thomas Jones living near Greer, attempted to light a fire with crude oil. An explosion occurred, wrecking the room, and the dresses of his twin daughters, aged 6 years, ignited. Jones was too badly burned to assist them, and they were so badly burned that both of them died shortly afterward.

Connaught to Go to Khartum.

LONDON, Dec. 19. The Rome correspondent of The Daily Mail says he learns that the Duke of Connaught will go to Khartum as the representative of the queen to lay the foundation stone of the Gordon Memorial college, to be erected there under the direction of General Lord Kitchener for the instruction of Sudanese youth.

A WESTERN WRECK.

Derailed Train Ran Into a Water Tank.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—An east bound night express over the Indianapolis Decatur and Western railroad was wrecked at Guion, west of this city, yesterday, killing one person and injuring 11 others. The victims are:

Killed—T. M. Wells, superintendent of schools at Tuscola, Ills.

Injured—Julius Wunderlich, Columbus; David Painter, Decatur, Ills.; M. Gavin, M. J. Moore, Warren Saylor, A. J. Diddle, N. S. Sherman, A. W. Scott, William Corder, Andrew Kafer and Alexander Mitchell, all of Indianapolis.

The train included an express car, a combination baggage and smoker, a women's coach, two sleeping cars, the private car of W. D. Woodruff of New York, superintendent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton road, and the private car of the officials of the Indianapolis, Decatur and Western railroad. Superintendent Woodruff was spending the night with the other railroad officials and with them escaped uninjured.

The cause of the wreck was probably the breaking of an iron axle or wheel on the combination car. The train ran a quarter of a mile after the car began careening, and crossed two trestles, one 40 feet high and one 60 feet high. At the approach of a deep cut the baggage car left the track and was dashed into a water tank. The cars following were piled up on the combination car. Fire started, and all would probably have been burned had not the 60,000 gallons of water in the tank flooded the wrecked cars, nearly drowning the passengers.

Wells, who is believed to have been the only occupant of the combination car, was found dead, pinned down by a heavy trunk.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Anglo-American commission will not reassemble until Jan. 5.

Agents of the Russian government are said to be in New York negotiating a loan for the czar.

"Old Sleuth" Harlan P. Halsey died suddenly Friday at his home, 111 McDonough street, Brooklyn, of cerebral hemorrhage.

The first petition in voluntary bankruptcy from a Chinaman was filed in the clerk's office of the United States district court Saturday.

The British steamer Govino, bound from Leith to Baltimore, foundered at sea on Dec. 11. Her crew was saved by the Danish steamer Thingvalla.

The funeral of ex-Senator Calvin S. Brice took place in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York, on Saturday. The remains were taken to Lima, O., for interment.

Amasa Thornton, who has just returned from Europe, says he had a long talk with the pope, but would not tell what it was about, as he conversed with him as an attorney, and lawyers never tell secrets.

King Oscar Ill.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Copenhagen correspondent of The Daily Mail says that King Oscar II of Sweden and Norway has been suddenly taken ill and is now confined to his bed.

King Oscar, who is the great grandson of Napoleon's famous general Bernadotte, was born Jan. 21, 1829, and succeeded to the throne on April 18, 1872, on the death of Charles XV. He married, in June, 1857, the Princess Sophia of Nassau, daughter of the late Duke Wilhelm of Nassau. From this union there are four sons—Gustave, duke of Wermland, born in June, 1858, now heir apparent to the throne; Oscar, duke of Gotland, born in November, 1859, and who married Miss Ebba Munck, daughter of Colonel Munck, renouncing at the time of his marriage all right to succeed to the throne; Carl, duke of Westergotland, born in February, 1861, and Eugene, duke of Nerike, born in August, 1865.

Petition For Soldier's Pardon.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 19.—Prominent citizens have interested themselves in behalf of Moore, the Maine artilleryman who was the other day sentenced to pay a fine of $500 or serve 60 days on the chain gang by Judge Norwood for attempting, on the streets, to hug the wife of a prominent citizen. A petition to the governor for pardon is being circulated, and it is being signed not only by leading men, but by society women as well. Moore was hilariously intoxicated at the time of his offense. He has borne an excellent reputation in his command. His petition will go to the governor probably today, and considering the high characters of the signers it is probable the pardon will be promptly granted. Moore is now on the chain gang, where he has been for two weeks. The petitioners say they think his degradation and punishment have been ample.

Schooner's Crew Picked Up.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Norwegian steamer Tyr, from Philadelphia for Gloucester, England, arrived at Sharpness yesterday. She has on board the crew of the American schooner Kate S. Flint, which was abandoned on Nov. 27 while bound from Ship island for New York. The crew were picked up by the Tyr on Nov. 29 in latitude 39 north and longitude 71.

Peach Belt Town Burned.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 19.—Nearly the whole of the business part of the town of Tifton, in the center of the peach belt, was burned Saturday night. An oil lamp in a boarding house exploded. The Masonic hall and ten stores were destroyed, and a hotel and large lumber mill were damaged.

End of Socialism at Princeton.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 19. The last meeting of the socialism class in Princeton was held yesterday afternoon. Christopher Easton, the leader, stated in the beginning that he regretted to announce that the meeting would end the class. He refused to give reasons for this action.

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A MIDOCEAN RESCUE

Narrow Escape of the Deer Hill's Crew.

BOATS MANNED IN A HEAVY GALE.

First Boat Smashed, Leaving Rescuers on the Wrecked Schooner. Pawnee Stood by Four Days Before Rescue Was Completed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The British steamer Pawnee arrived yesterday from Mediterranean ports and brought 10 shipwrecked people, eight men and two women, who were taken from the disabled schooner Deer Hill in midocean.

Captain Aikenhead reported that on Dec. 8, at 10 30 a. m., he sighted a three masted topsail schooner in evident distress and needing assistance The name, "Deer Hill of St. John, N. B.," could be seen on the stern. A heavy northwest gale was blowing, and a dangerous sea was running. The schooner was seemingly unmanageable and the rudder disabled or carried away.

The Pawnee staid by and at 2 p. m. succeeded in getting a tow line aboard, which had been sent by drifting a small line to leeward. The line parted, however, and a boat was launched in charge of the chief officer and sent to communicate with the Deer Hill. The boat had nearly succeeded in boarding the wreck when an enormous sea struck and stove it, and after great difficulty the boat's crew succeeded in getting on board the schooner, where they were obliged to remain all night.

On the following morning, the 9th, the weather had slightly moderated. A tow line was sent on board and the Pawnee towed the Deer Hill toward Bermuda.

After towing about six hours the line again parted. Finding that the wind and sea were increasing, when the line parted and it was found impossible to get out another the captain of the Deer Hill signaled that he wished to abandon the wreck and requested the Pawnee to stand by

The gale continued throughout the 9th, 10th and 11th, the Pawnee keeping her position near the wreck, but found it impossible to use the boats to remove the unfortunate people of the Deer Hill, owing to the dangerous character of the seas.

Finally, at 7 p. m. of the 12th, the rescue was effected, and the Deer Hill was abandoned in latitude 35 42 longitude 52.49. The rescued people were Captain C W Burns, Louisa Burns, his daughter; Hazel Merritt, the owner's daughter, and seven of the crew of the Deer Hill.

When Captain Burns was seen at quarantine, he said that the Deer Hill was a three masted topsail schooner owned by W. H. Merritt and others of St John, N B

The Deer Hill sailed from St. John, N. B., on Nov. 23 for Santos with a cargo of lumber, a large part of which was deck load, and two passengers, one of whom was the captain's daughter, the other a daughter of one of the vessel's owners.

About a week after sailing the 2d day of December, the schooner fell in with a bad spell of weather; the wind commenced to blow hard from the southwest and increased to terrific force, with a high and dangerous sea, during which the vessel labored heavily and the seas washed continuously over the decks, swept away the deck load smashed the boats and flooded the deckhouse

This weather continued for six days with unabating fury, until the schooner broke her rudder and became unmanageable During this six days' blow the wind was from the south southwest and west, and the seas were enormous Captain Burns decided to abandon the vessel on the first opportunity On Dec 8 the steamer Pawnee appeared and in answer to signals stood by and finally, after four days transferred the unfortunate shipwrecked people to safety and brought them to this port.

Jernegan Makes Restitution.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn Dec 19—It is stated on the authority of a member of the committee appointed to make an investigation of the so called Jernegan process of extracting gold from sea water that Rev P F Jernegan formerly of this city who is now in Brussels, has actually sent to the directors of the Electrolytic Marine Salts company $75,000 in cash as a sort of peace offering preliminary to his return to the United States with his family Jernegan converted all his stock and securities into cash previous to going abroad and it is nearly one third of the proceeds that he has returned of his own free will and without promises or inducements of any kind

A Missing Brig

BOSTON Dec 19—It is believed that the brig Mary Gibbs Captain Coombs which sailed on Sept 16 from Newport News for Para Brazil has been lost, with her entire crew Nothing has been heard from her since she sailed and as the ordinary run is but a little more than two weeks it seems more than probable that she will not be heard from again The vessel was owned in this city while Captain Coombs is a native of Brunswick Me The rest of the crew came from Newport News and vicinity The Gibbs had a cargo of 600 tons of coal and was valued at $6 000

Youthful Robbers Captured.

BOSTON Dec 19—The Dorchester police have captured two boys, Alphonsus McLaughlin and Herman Frigeroth who they believe have systematically robbed many houses in that suburb of the city of property valued at over $5,000 The police also took into custody Samuel Bantick a considerably older man who it is claimed received the stolen property and pawned it in various shops in this city and New York.

Steamers In Collision.

LONDON Dec 19 The British steamer Ashanti bound for the Canaries returned here yesterday with her port side damaged She reports having been in collision with an unknown steamer in the North Sea The steamer with which the Ashanti was in collision probably was the Norman from Hamburg which was docked at St Catharines with her stem and bows damaged

Dutch Minister at New York.

NEW YORK Dec 19 Among the passengers who arrived yesterday on the Statendam from Rotterdam and Boulogne was his excellency F H von Weckherlin, minister of the Netherlands to the United States

GORDON MEMORIAL COLLEGE

Kitchener's Scheme May Be Opposed Because It Is Non-Christian.

LONDON, Dec. 19—It is said that General Lord Kitchener's Gordon Memorial college scheme will not be put through without a protest, which, however, will be utterly in vain, as the money has already been subscribed. As is well known, General Kitchener absolutely refused all entreaties to make the college a Christian institution, saying that if the college was to be of any practical value it must be not only non-Christian, but actually Mussulman in its constitution and teaching.

Gordon's sister, it is now reported, is about to make public a protest against any institution from which the Bible is excluded purporting to perpetuate the memory of her illustrious brother, who, above all things, was an ardent Christian She may be dissuaded from making such a futile protest, but there is indubitably a considerable number of persons who are unable to see the absolute necessity of General Kitchener's resolve

When The Guardian, the best known and most weighty church organ, expressed its agreement with Kitchener, even advocating the teaching of the Moslem religion, it raised a considerable storm among a part of its readers.

HOBSON'S LATEST HEROIC ACT.

Kissed One Hundred and Sixty-five Chicago Women.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson, who lectured here last night, broke all public kissing records when he kissed 165 girls and married women. All of them did not, to all appearances, want to be kissed, but, being in a kissing mood, the hero of the Merrimac treated all alike and kept it up until the available material was exhausted.

Some of the young women who approached Hobson sought to cover their faces with their left hands as they put out their rights to be shaken, but this subterfuge did not affect Hobson, for he kissed them anyhow, and only quit when the supply was exhausted.

Garcia Comes For His Father's Body.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19—Among the passengers who arrived yesterday on the steamer Mesaba were J. L Worden and C E Knoblauch, two former Rough Riders, and Miss Gertrude Atherton, the authoress. Among those on the Caribbee, from St. Thomas and other ports in the West Indies, were 12 discharged soldiers of the hospital corps who crossed to St. Thomas. There was also O. W. Roberts of the United States weather service, who has visited places among the West India islands to establish signal stations for the observation of hurricanes and cyclones. Among those on the Santiago, from Nassau and ports on the south side of Cuba, was Colonel Carlos Garcia, who is on his way to Washington. He says he will remove his father's remains to Holguin. There were also on board Captain Jorgensen of Krag-Jorgensen rifle fame, Captain Tooker of the Chapman-Merritt Wrecking company, Hon. H. Bell and six discharged United States soldiers

Disarmament Conference In London.

LONDON, Dec 19 — The venerable William Macdonald Sinclair, archdeacon of London and canon of St Paul's cathedral, presided at a public conference at St James' hall yesterday, convened by the heads of the various religious denominations in favor of an international demonstration on behalf of the czar's disarmament proposals A telegram expressing sympathy with the effort was received from Lord Rosebery Among the letters read by the chairman from prominent people was one sent by Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India who wrote advocating an Anglo-Russian understanding, of which the czar's rescript ought to be the foundation' A resolution in accordance with the objects of the conveners of the conference was adopted unanimously

New Bishop of Harrisburg.

PHILADELPHIA Dec 19—Chancellor Laughlin of this archdiocese yesterday received a note from Papal Delegate Martinelli at Washington informing him that a papal bull containing the appointment of Father John W Shanahan of Philadelphia as bishop of Harrisburg is on its way to this country from Rome Father Shanahan is at present rector of the Roman Catholic church of Our Mother of Sorrows this city and is superintendent of the parochial schools of the archdiocese besides being a frequent and favorite consultant for Archbishop Ryan The bishopric to which he has been appointed was last held by the late Bishop McGovern Prior to Bishop McGovern a brother of Father Shanahan held the position

The Antianarchist Conference.

LONDON Dec 19—The Rome correspondent of The Times says I have reason to believe that the international antianarchist conference which has been in session here for several weeks has proved a success Great secrecy is observed regarding the proceedings and conclusions but the delegates seem satisfied that they have laid a solid foundation for a uniform system of dealing with anarchists The conference declares to recognize anarchist outrages as political crimes'

Edward G Mason Dead

CHICAGO Dec 19—Edward G Mason one of Chicago's most prominent and successful lawyers died at his home yesterday aged 59 The cause of death was Bright's disease aggravated by an injury to the head which Mr Mason received in a fall some days since Mr Mason was graduated from Yale in 1860 and had since been active in university affairs having been many years a member of the corporation Recently he had been frequently mentioned as the candidate of the western alumni to succeed Timothy Dwight as the president of Yale college He is survived by his wife and 12 children

Hospital Ship Sails For Havana.

SAVANNAH Dec 19 The hospital ship Missouri sailed yesterday for Havana with 700 tons of medical supplies for the troops in the field and carrying the hospital corps of the Second division of the Seventh army corps the division which has already gone forward with General Lee The Missouri, after distributing her supplies will take sick soldiers from Havana and vicinity and bring them to this country, either to New York, Norfolk or Savannah.

CINCINNATI ON A ROCK

Cruiser Meets an Accident In Santiago Harbor.

ALCALDE OF FORMYSA STABBED.

Troops Will Be Sent to That Town and to Daiquira—Friday's Shooting—Rejoicing Over the Promotion of General Wood.

SANTIAGO, Dec. 19.—While the United States cruiser Cincinnati was leaving port about sunset Saturday she ran full speed upon a rock clearly defined in the charts, but not buoyed Last September General Leonard Wood, considering that the absence of a buoy there might lead to some accident, anchored a small one—the first ever placed there—but the Bessie, on entering the harbor one night, carried it away, and since then there has been no buoy to mark the location of the rock.

The Cincinnati is probably not seriously damaged, as she is not making water. For the last 20 hours the government collier Southerly and the Mayflower have been engaged in an effort to pull her off. Thus far they have been unsuccessful. The principal risk now is of tearing a hole in the cruiser's bottom while pulling her off.

Captain C M Chester, the cruiser's commander, insists that the landmarks are in the wrong places and have not been altered in any way since the American occupation Pilots are not compulsory upon the entrance of warships, but the Santiago harbor is difficult, and a warship should invariably take one. Hereafter a large buoy will mark the rock upon which the Cincinnati struck

It now turns out that the man who was shot here Friday morning by a Cuban negro, after landing from a schooner hailing from Baracoa, was not, as was at first supposed, Celesto Rodriguez, the guerrilla but a merchant from Baracoa, who had come here to purchase supplies The assumption is that the crime was committed for the sake of robbery.

From Formysa, a town which is virtually the property of the Jurugua Iron company, comes a report that the alcalde has been attacked and stabbed with a machete, and there has been another stabbing affray at Daiquira Although these affairs are probably mining camp rows, the authorities now feel compelled to police those places, which heretofore has been unnecessary, owing to the fact that a majority of the workmen were Spanish soldiers and under military discipline.

The arrival of the news that the United States senate had confirmed the nomination of General Wood as a major general was the occasion for universal rejoicing here. General Wood was at El Morro examining the improvements, and got his first intimation when the Punta Gorda battery fired a major general's salute. The bells in the cathedral and churches were rung, the civic band played for several hours, and in the crowded restaurants and clubs there were toasts and cheers in honor of the military governor. A round of receptions has been arranged and a public banquet planned

The Havana Franchise Troubles.

HAVANA, Dec 19—General Clous called on General Jimenez Castellanos yesterday afternoon by appointment to bring to the latter's notice the action of the Havana municipality in attempting hastily to negotiate during the last days of Spanish control a sewer contract involving the city in an indebtedness of millions of dollars The project underlying the contract was approved by the municipality last Friday without sufficient examination and the contract was to be executed at the next meeting of the council

General Castellanos expressed his surprise asserting that he had received no previous intimation of the contemplated action and thanked General Clous for informing him regarding a proposal which was entirely without his sanction and diametrically opposed to his directions and desires

He promptly announced that his secretary would inform the civil governor, Senor Fernandez de Castro and the municipal authorities that no contracts of this nature must be entered upon and that whatever had been done in this line must be annulled He promised to issue a general prohibition of all proceedings of a like character during the remainder of his term as governor general

Jesus del Monte Evacuated.

HAVANA Dec 19 — The Spanish evacuation commissioners informed the American commissioners last evening that the Havana suburbs Cerro and Jesus del Monte had been evacuated The Spanish troops left Jesus del Monte at 5 o'clock last evening immediately after which American and Cuban flags were raised crackers fired and the usual demonstrations made by the cheering crowds in honor of the event The suburb of Cerro was evacuated Saturday American and Cuban flags were displayed from the houses on the Calzada del Cerro and crowds rushed through the streets shouting Viva Cuba libre

Fatal Coasting Accident.

PITTSBURG Dec 19—As a result of a coasting accident at Turtle Creek, eight miles from Pittsburg Joseph West, aged 20 is dead and 11 others injured two seriously The sled collapsed at the bottom of a steep hill and hurled the party with great force in every direction The two seriously injured are. W B. Maddey both legs broken, and Joseph Connor left leg broken and injured badly about the head

French Gunboat Goes to Kwelchow.

LONDON Dec 19—According to a dispatch to The Morning Post from Hankow on the Yang-tse-kiang, about 700 miles from the sea a French expedition has been dispatched up the river to Kwelchow and one gunboat is already above Nanking the 'southern capital of China about 90 miles from the river's mouth

New York Troops From Hawaii.

SAN FRANCISCO Dec 19 The steamer Scandia has arrived from Honolulu with the companies of the New York volunteer regiment which had already arrived in this city The vessel is in quarantine

Castine Off For Cuba.

BOSTON Dec 19 The gunboat Castine resplendent in a new coat of peace (white) paint left the harbor yesterday afternoon for Havana She should arrive there in about five days.

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It really does seem to big folks as well as little folks, that Santa Claus has made the big store his workhouse It is a treat the little ones ought not to miss Bring them in to see the toys as this display can be seen but once a year Don't let the opportunity to enjoy it slip away from them

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If you don't know what to buy stroll through this department We have some very special bargains for the holidays again

An immense suite of new pocketbooks prices 19c, 25c 50c to $2 each

TOILET SETS in fancy boxes, prices 75c to $5 a set

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In no way can the young folks find more amusement at home than in playing an interesting game We have a big line, prices 5c, 10c, 25c, 35c and 50c each

Holiday Stationery.

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THEY SPOKE THEIR MINDS.

Lively Scenes in a Court of Justice at Highland—"Send Dem Presents Back."

From the Poughkeepsie News Press

A trial took place recently before a Highland, N. Y., justice that in a way illustrated the coon song, "Send Dem Presents Back." The case was between a man named James Booth and his mother-in-law. James, it seems, borrowed $18 from his mother-in-law, for which he gave a note, but at the expiration of the time of the note James failed to pay his bill. The mother-in-law then commenced a suit.

The suit proved to be a novel one, as both the plaintiff and the defendant conducted their own cases. The defendant admitted the giving of the note, but put in a counter claim to the effect that his mother-in-law had pastured her cow on his lot and that he did not let his pasture for nothing. The mother-in-law then put in the claim that she had supported the defendant and wife for a long time. All of the Booth family, numbering about twenty-five, were present, and before long the whole court room was having a say. Some yelled, "Bring back that frying pan," and another, "Bring back my cloak you borrowed."

The confusion was so great that it was with difficulty that the justice could announce his decision. When he did it was in favor of the plaintiff, and this is another time where the mother-in-law beat the son-in-law.

MAY HAVE A STONE YARD.

Delaware County's Supervisors Think Jail Life is Too Pleasant.

In Delaware county's Board of Supervisors, last week, the chairman of the committee on public buildings reported that the jail was in better condition than most boarding houses and that a stay there was nothing more than a picnic for criminals. He recommended the establishment of a stone yard in which prisoners could be employed in breaking stone as the best and most effective means of counteracting the attractiveness of jail life.

A Good Minstrel Show.

Guy Brothers' minstrels gave a very good entertainment at the Casino, Saturday night, before a fair-sized audience. The brothers, six in all, have been regular visitors to this city, and they have made many acquaintances. The brothers were entertained at the home of J. C. May, on Wickham avenue, Sunday afternoon.

The company went to Deckertown, today.

At the Children's Home.

There are now twenty-six children at the Children's Home, in this city, twenty-four boys and two girls. There is such a demand for girls in families that there are never many of them at the Home, those there now being less than six years old. All the children are well and apparently happy and contented.

Ontario and Western's Annual Christmas Excursion.

On Dec. 20th, the Ontario and Western will sell tickets to New York city at greatly reduced rates, tickets good returning up to and including Dec. 27, on any regular train. The rate from Middletown will be $1.86 for round trip. td

GREENVILLE.

Donation Visit—Gift from a Soldier Boy—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The donation for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. J. A. Craig, will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at the residence of J. P. Van Ness.

—A young lady living in the lower part of the town, recently received a handsome gold watch from a soldier in Alabama.

—Miss Olive Burns is on the sick list.

—Mrs. Amanda Ketcham and son, Leon, will spend the holidays in New York city.

—Miss Ida Elston is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Alward.

—Wm. Walker and Arthur Decker made a flying trip to Middletown, last week.

—Miss Carolyn Seybolt is visiting at Ratherford.

—Mrs. Josephine Denton, who has been quite ill, is now convalescing.

—Miss Myra Case, of Westtown, visited in this vicinity, last week.

BEAVERKILL.

A Bad Accident—A Road Despute Settled—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Mrs. Ida Winner fell from a chair not long since and sustained serious injury. At last accounts she had not moved since she fell.

—Commissioner Voorhees, with a good set of juryman, settled the dispute about a road between Lincoln Kittle and Lester Mackey. The jurymen were Harry Ellsworth, Jay Davidson, Edwin Miner, Nelson Woodard, Levi Wamsley and George Wamsley. Mr. Mackey was generous enough to give the road in question.

—J. D. Davidson and family are occupying their new boarding house at Lake Waneta.

—Miss Annie Carrington has returned to her home in Oneonta.

—The dance at Edwin Miner's was well attended, and if reports are true everyone had a good time.

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MARRIED THE NEGRO AGAIN.

Kate Clum and Henry Mondore, of Grand Gorge, Married by a Delhi Clergyman, to Whom They Gave False Names.

Henry Mondore, a mulatto under indictment for abducting Katie Clum from her home at Grand Gorge, Delaware county, was married to her again, Monday evening of last week, by Rev. F. H. Seeley, a Delhi clergyman. They both gave their names as More, and the woman added that they were not related. The man kept his face partially muffled during the ceremony, and neither Mr. Seeley nor any of his family noticed that the bridegroom was off color. Shortly after the couple left the house the man returned and left word that his name was not correctly spelled in the certificate, saying that it should be spelled Mondore.

The couple were in Hobart, Sunday, and tried to get some one to marry them there, but did not succeed. The girl's father telegraphed Sheriff Lawrence, Monday afternoon, asking him to arrest the couple, but as he had no warrant he could do nothing.

When the girl first went away with the negro it was asserted that she had been drugged and that her action was not voluntary. Her second marriage to her dusky lover seems, however, to upset this theory.

The Mondore family is well known a Grand Gorge, and it is said that all the men in it have sworn to marry white women.

Slight Wreck on the O. and W.

The engine of the Ontario and Western way freight mounted a switch at Trout Brook, Saturday afternoon, and dragged four cars from the track. The cars, which suffered little damage, were pulled back on the rails by the engine of a coal train which was following the freight, but all efforts to budge the engine were unavailing and it was necessary to send to this city for the wreckers, who soon cleared the rails. The accident delayed the night express, south bound, over six hours.

Erie's Holiday Excursion.

On Dec. 20th, the Erie will run an excursion to New York at rate of $1.86 for round trip. Tickets will be good going on any morning train, Dec. 20th, and returning on any regular train (except No. 5) on or before Dec. 21st. dtod

NOTICED THIS BEFORE.

You Probably Have and May Have Spoken About It.

The reader of this newspaper, if he takes the time and trouble to look carefully through its columns, will probably find half a dozen statements tacked on to the foot of reading notices about medicinal preparations. Note this fact. In each and every case, as far as Middletown is concerned, as far as the reader's knowledge of the party is concerned, he might just as well live in the moon. Make another note of this. The only remedy on the market which gives testimony at home, local proof in every town and city in the Union, to back up its claims, is Doan's Kidney Pills. They all try it, but they cannot do it. Why they are unable to do it can safely be left with the reader to draw his own conclusions. Here is Middletown proof for Middletown readers:

Mr. A. M. Ryerson, professional nurse, living at No. 7 Oak street, says: "I think Doan's Kidney Pills the most wonderful preparation ever compounded. For years I was troubled with kidney and urinary weakness, and about three years ago it developed into lumbago. When I rose in the morning my back was always lame. I had to assist myself when moving about by grasping hold of objects for at least an hour or so. When I had one of my bad spells, which generally lasted ten days, I completely gave up. If I caught cold it settled in my back. Often when lifting a patient my back would give out, and I could not walk for an hour afterwards for pain. I tried everything I read about for it, some relieved me for a short time, then back came the old complaint again. As a last resort I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at J. E. Mills' drug store. About the third dose I noticed an improvement, and soon the pain left. I can get up in the morning and move around as briskly as I please without feeling either an ache or pain. The urinary trouble is also corrected. I feel that I cannot praise Doan's Kidney Pills too much. I have recommended them to a number of people, and shall always do so."

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SPINAL

OBITUARY.

Mrs. W. H. McClung.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Anne, wife of W. H. McClung, of Hurleyville, died Friday, Dec. 9, after an illness of only three hours. The deceased was forty years of age. She was an exemplary christian, and was beloved and respected by all who knew her. She is survived by her husband and three children—Charles, Lettie and David. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community.

We know not the hour.
The day is not told,
In which we shall sleep,
Both the young and old.

To some it comes early,
To some it comes late;
To all it comes surely,
For such is our fate.

When the dark messenger
In our land did appear,
Our loved one was waiting
The summons to hear.

Her work it was finished,
And well it was done;
She rejoiced in her Savior,
She now has gone home.

Though now she is happy,
Our burden is great;
Our hearts are most heavy,
While here we must wait.

A wife and mother
From our home has gone;
To day we are mourning,
But God's will be done.

For that bereft husband
Our tears may fall;
But God in His mercy,
Doth watch over all.

We bow in submission,
O, God, to thy will;
Though the wound is deep,
Thou art able to heal.

Shot a Large Wildcat.

Ex-Judge William H. Crane shot a very large wildcat, Friday, in Gulf Swamp near Hartwood. The brute had killed and partically devowered a deer and its trail was easily followed. The skin measured four feet, five and a half inches from tip to tip.

The Only One in the Business.

From the Walton Reporter.

It is announced that Editor A. E Peck, of the Downsville *News*, will hold a series of revival meetings in the school house at Colchester, during the first week in January.

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Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale, rendered herein, on the 5th day of December 1898 and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of Orange county I, the undersigned, the referee therein named will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on FRIDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1899, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the front door of the Russell House, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York, the real estate directed by said judgment to be sold and therein described as follows: All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the city of Middletown, county of Orange, and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a bolt or iron rod set in the ground on the westerly side of North street, in said city, and 31 feet and 11 inches southerly from the southerly corner of the dwelling house now on said premises said point of beginning being also 2.6 feet easterly from the east corner of the brick store building on the property of Hattie S. Barnes, and runs from thence north 47 degrees west, passing on the south side of a horse cherry tree 63 feet and 10 inches to an iron rod driven in the ground 11 feet and 7½ in hes southerly from the south foundation wall of said dwelling house now on the premises, and 12 feet and 9 inches southerly from the west corner of the stone foundation of said house; thence south 46 degrees and 47 minutes west 3 feet and 10 inches to an iron rod driven in the ground; thence north 40 degrees and 10 minutes west 87.8 feet along the division line of one Sayer, and the premises herein described; thence north 48 degrees and 10 minutes east 50 feet along the land of one Ayres to an iron rod driven in the ground; thence north 48 degrees and 1 minute east 141 feet along the land of Samuel Ayres to an iron rod driven in the ground in the westerly line of North street; thence south 34 degrees and 52 minutes west 73 feet and fifty-three hundredths of a foot (51.53) along the westerly line of North street to the place of beginning, be the same more or less. Being a portion of premises described in a deed from George N. Green to Margaret Lederman and Catharine Linderman, dated March 30th 1886, and recorded in Orange County Records for liber in Book 185 page 98 May 22d 1886, and being a portion of the premises as also described in deed from Margaret Linderman to Catharine Linderman dated May 9th 1882 and recorded in Orange County Records of Deeds, Book 407, page 507 May 22d, 1886, and being the same premises of which the said Catharine Linderman died seized, together with all the right, title and interest of the said Edwin T. Hopkins of in to the land lying in front of said lot to the center line of North street, as bounded and described in a deed from Louisa Mills and others to Charles H. Gardner, dated Oct. 1st, 1885.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Dec. 26—Macy-Grilley Combination, at the Casino.
—Dec 29—Ontario Hose Co.'s tenth annual ball, at Assembly Rooms.
—Jan. 2—Geo. Lea's masquerade ball, at Casino
—Jan 24—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Dr. Eugene May, at the Casino.
—Feb. 14—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Rev. Russell H. Conwell, at the Casino.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Increasing cloudiness and colder to-night; snow, and not so cold Tuesday; northeasterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store to-day:
7 a. m., 30°; 12 m. 38°; 3 p. m., 32°.

The *Wine and Spirit Gazette* solemnly warns the public against the perils that lurk in "soft drinks," and quotes the State Bacteriologist of New Jersey as saying that he found that some of the bottled wafers which he examined were alive with bacteria.

Members of the First Regiment will hope for the prompt passage of a bill now pending in Congress, which provides that officers and enlisted men in regiments which have seen service outside of the United States shall, on being mustered out, receive two months' extra pay.

Dutchess county supervisors have voted to abolish town meetings and hold the town elections in the fall at the same time as the general election. The Poughkeepsie *News-Press* says that public opinion throughout the county disapproves of the change, and it predicts the defeat of every supervisor who voted for it if the people ever get a chance at them.

Hay is so plentiful in the central New York counties that at recent auctions it has sold as low as $1.80, and vast quantities can be bought at $2 a ton. If the Dingley tariff did not shut out the "pauper hay" of Canada, the low prices now prevailing would be ascribed to Canadian competition, and not to the real cause—a supply far in excess of the demand.

Governor-elect Roosevelt had a conference with Senator Platt and Chairman Odell, Saturday, and disagreed with them on every proposition that was discussed. After the love feast was over Platt and Odell were as dumb as oysters and as glum as if they hadn't a friend in the world while Roosevelt was as perky as a game cock that had won a fight in the first round. His greeting to the newspaper men in waiting at the hotel was "Don't you fellows get in the habit of announcing appointments until I say the word."

Governor-elect Roosevelt in notifying Hiram R Steele of his purpose to appoint him District Attorney of Kings county wrote: "Part of your duty will be that of prosecuting certain mounted Republican officials" And when you think of it the prosecuting of Republican officials will occupy the attention of a good many of the law officers of the State after January 1st The punishment of the men who robbed and made possible the robbery of the State in connection with the canal improvement is the first and greatest duty that will confront the Roosevelt administration. If he is able to force the Attorney General and his deputies and the district attorneys of the canal counties to do their duty he will make for himself such a record as no Governor has made since Samuel J. Tilden grappled with and overthrew the canal ring.

Chairman Frank Campbell, of the Democratic State Committee, has written to members of the committee for the county districts suggesting that it is necessary to secure a more thorough organization in the rural counties, and proposing the establishment of headquarters at Albany, to be open all the year, and in charge of a competent man who will devote himself to the work of strengthening the organization in the counties where organization is most needed. Some Democrats who fancy that they can see a good ways into a millstone, even if the millstone isn't there, profess to see in Mr. Campbell's suggestion a move on the part of David B Hill to inaugurate a fight against Tammany Hall. There is, however, no warrant for such an assumption. It is merely a move in a direction that recent elections have shown to be imperatively necessary if the Democratic party is to have a fighting chance for supremacy in the State.

OUR SOLDIERS' HOME COMING.

Left Denver, Sunday Afternoon, at 5:30 by the Burlington Route.

Special to the DAILY ARGUS.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 18.—Co. I reached here, this afternoon, over the Union Pacific. We will leave at 5:30 over the Burlington route.

The time from Denver to Chicago is about thirty hours and the boys ought, therefore to reach the windy city by midnight, to-night. The time from Chicago to New York is from twenty-four to thirty hours, according to route taken. Making all possible allowance for delays, the boys will certainly be home some time, Wednesday.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CHICAGO, Ill., December 19—The first battalion of the First New York Volunteers, which has been doing garrison duty at Honlulu and which arrived at San Francisco, a few days ago, has left Pacific Junction, Ia., over the Burlington road on its way to New York.

The detachment, consisting of about 500 men in command of Col. Barber, is in two sections. Company I and the Newburgh company are in the first section.

The troops will arrive in Chicago early to-morrow morning and will leave at once for the east.

DENVER, Dec. 19.—The second train of nine cars carrying Companies A, B and D, of the First New York Volunteers, arrived here at 11 o'clock, last night, and started east over the Burlington, at 12:30.

SPAIN'S DOMESTIC WOES.

An Increased Military Force Necessary Because of the Carlist Agitation.

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MADRID, Dec. 19—A conference, yesterday evening, between Senor Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, and the Queen Regent, lasted over an hour. Senor Montero Rios had some voluminous documents with him, supposed to be those relating to the peace negotiations On leaving the palace he refused to make any communications to the press. He will confer with the premier to-day.

A newspaper representing Senor Gamazo, leader of the dissenting Liberals has declared itself in favor of a Cabinet headed by Senor Rios. Gen. Correo, Minister of War, is quoted as saying it will be necessary to raise the effective force of the army to 180,000 men owing to the Carlist agitation. This will entail a credit of 20,000,000 pesetas.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 19—The Third Battalion of the First New York Regiment arrived here, last night, on the transport Scandia, and landed to day in time to witness the departure for home of the second detachment of their comrades. The new arrivals will be encamped at the Presido, and in a week will be sent to their homes. Major J. K. Sague, of Poughkeepsie, is in command. Ninety convale-cent soldiers from Manilla are in charge of Major Woodruff.

SUICIDE OF A WELL KNOWN MAN

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UTICA, Dec 18.—Leroy W. Midlam, a prominent Mason and once a popular resident of this city, was discovered dead in his room at the Metropolitan Hotel here, this morning, having shot himself through the eye. He had written a letter to James H Read, bookkeeper in one of the breweries here, intimating his intention of committing suicide and asking Read to assist his wife and son who, he said, were ill and destitute in New York Mr Read received the letter in this morning's mail and his telephone inquiry of the hotel revealed the fact that Midlam had executed his threat

Midlam was about sixty-two years of age. Many years ago he came here from Georgia, and entered the employ of ex-Governor Seymour. He became popular and was elected city treasurer Later he went to Michigan where he was very successful for a time and became prominent in Democratic politics, being postmaster at Marquette during Cleveland's first term. Two years ago he engaged in unfortunate speculations and lost his property His last occupation was that of travelling salesman for a tobacco house of New York city.

MANUFACTURERS BURNED OUT.

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SYRACUSE Dec 19 — Baldwinsville, twelve miles north of here, was visited by a disastrous fire, this morning, three manufacturing plants being destroyed and four damaged. The fire started in the plant of the Kenyon Paper Co. and spread rapidly to the frame building occupied by the New Process Rawhide Co., the stone mill of Hotaling & Co. and the frame building occupied by Clark, Mercer & Co. The loss is estimated at $116,009, nearly covered by insurance.

Frank Cosler, an employe of the Kenyon Paper Company, is missing, and it is thought he is in the ruins He was last seen in the vicinity of the burned district at midnight

PROMINENT RITUALIST DEAD.

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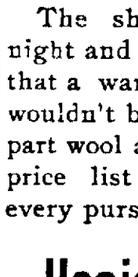

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LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.*

—Sawtelle, to-night.

—"Dangers of a Great City" at the Casino, to-night.

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—Fresh peanut brittle, cocoanut brittle and chewing taffy at Laskaris', 34 North street and 17 West Main street. t

—Miss Jessie Sawtelle and George H. Summers will enact the principal roles in the "Dangers of a Great City," at the Casino, to-night.

—McQuoid Engine Company's indoor base ball team will play against the 124th team, Tuesday night, after the drill at the armory.

—The skating is good on the ponds in and about this city, and the boys and girls are making the most of the opportunity offered them.

—The panels which are being given away at the Tea Store are the prettiest of the season. Manager Crist has had a great "run" on them.

—The G. I. A. will give a social and dance to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, to night, at their rooms, corner of East Main street and Railroad avenue.

—Lewis Hoyt's barn at Colchester was burned, Tuesday afternoon, with its contents. A cow in the building was so badly burned that she may have to be killed.

—The Sawtelle Comedy Company, which begins a week's engagement at the Casino, to-night, at popular prices, arrived in town at noon by the Susquehanna and Western.

—In a letter from Private Clem Atkins, of Company I, who is now at Liberty, he states that he hopes to be sufficiently recovered from his illness to be here on the arrival of the rest of the company.

—When the chief's call is sounded, when the 24th boys near home, Wallkill Engine Company's men, wearing fatigue caps, will meet at Hawes' laundry on Center street.

—Otis and Lafayette Rowland, while hunting a few miles back from Rowland's, Pa., one day last week, shot a black bear which weighed 335 pounds. It was the largest bear ever killed in that section.

PERSONAL.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Piatt went to New York, to-day.

—W. H. Hector, of Port Jervis, spent Saturday with friends in this city.

—Miss Alice Foley, of Brooklyn, is spending a week among friends in this city.

—Dr. J. B. Hulett, who has been confined to the house for several days by an attack of grip, is much better, to-day.

—Sergeant Louis Wengenroth shows great improvement, to-day. The fever has left him and he passed a night of perfect rest. He has a splendid appetite.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Charles M. Vail.

Mrs. Charles M. Vail, whose summer residence is on Maple avenue, Goshen, and who is well known in that village, died, this morning, at her home in New York city.

Jacob Lehn.

Jacob Lehn, a well known employe of Tepe & Heneman's barber shop, died at 1 o'clock, to-day, in Thrall Hospital.

An operation for appendicitis was performed on him, Saturday, by Dr. Carpenter, a specialist from New York city. The operation was performed as a last resort and as the one chance of saving the patient's life. He rallied from its immediate effects, but had not the strength or vitality necessary to pull him through, and this morning began to sink, the end coming as above stated.

Mr. Lehn came to this city from Port Jervis, where his parents still reside. He was married a little over a year ago to Miss Anna Zieres, of this city, who survives him. They have no children.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

IN THE COUNTY COURT.

Sentence Suspended in the Arnott Case—The Mershon Case still On.

In the county court at Goshen, to-day, Judge Beattie suspended sentence on W. H. Arnott, the Port Jervis man convicted of receiving stolen goods, who was recommended to the mercy of the court by the jury which convicted him.

The trial of the Mershon larceny and forgery case was resumed, this morning. The examination of Secretary Whitehill, of the Hudson River Paint Company, was completed. Ethel B. Whitbeck, stenographer in the paint company's office, was the next witness called and she was on the stand at 2 o'clock.

To Cure Constipation Forever

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

YOUNG NEGRO HAD HER DIAMONDS

Gave Up Twelve of Them When a Policeman Appeared—A Young Man's squandered Inheritance—His Infatuation for a Woman Who Was Infatuated With a Dusky Lover.

A woman's calls for police brought Officer Brinkerhoff to the corner of Fulton street and East avenue, Sunday night, where he found a white woman, once well known in this city, who asked his help in recovering her diamonds, which she said she had entrusted to a young colored man with whom she had been infatuated, but who had thrown her over and had taken up with a "low-down colored woman," in whose company he then was.

Officer Brinkerhoff went to the house in which the woman said her erstwhile dusky lover was basking in the smiles of a dark-skinned charmer and called the young man out. He admitted having the diamonds and gave up twelve loose stones but refused to surrender a diamond pin and diamond ring, saying that the woman had given them to him. This she denied, but she has not made complaint against the young man as she was advised to do if, as she asserted, she could prove that the ring and pin were not gifts to the young man.

Back of this Sunday night episode is an interesting story of a young man's folly. About two years ago a well connected young man, of this city, fell heir to about $8,000 by the death of an uncle in Chicago. Soon afterwards he made the acquaintance of a woman in a somewhat notorious resort, and becoming infatuated with her established her in a house in the eastern part of the city. He squandered his money on her with a lavish hand, and there was practically no limit to her capacity.

While this young man was showering his inheritance on her, the woman's perverted fancy turned to the young negro above referred to, and she engaged him to give her mandolin lessons. It was not long before her intimacy with him was, it is said, notorious in the part of town in which they lived.

The woman finally took it into her head that she wanted to leave Middletown and her protector humored her whim and they moved to a New Jersey city. After they had established themselves in apartments there, the woman ascertained that her dupe had $2,100 of his $8,000 left. She persuaded him to deposit it in a bank in her name and no sooner was this done than she turned him adrift and installed the young darkey as the head of her household. This was just eight months after the first installment of the young man's inheritance was paid to him.

The liason with the negro was continued for some time, but he at last tired of the woman and left her.

The young man who wasted his substance on the woman is now doing day's works in a village in New Jersey.

HEARD THEIR ANNUAL SERMONS

Excelsiors and Wallkills at the Second Presbyterian and Grace Churches—American Mechanics Hear Rev. F. A. Heath.

Forty-one members of Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company marched to the Second Presbyterian Church, Sunday night, to listen to the annual sermon by the chaplain, Rev. Dr. Charles Beattie. A large congregation was present.

Dr. Beattie's subject was "Jacob's Ladder," and in a short but earnest and impressive sermon he urged on his hearers the advantages that would result if, by setting up higher standards of life and living they rose above their present level and attained that which is most important in this life and in the life to come.

WALLKILL COUNCIL JR. O. U. A. M.

Wallkill Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., eighty-eight strong attended the First Baptist Church, Sunday night, and listened to the annual sermon by Rev. F. A. Heath. His text was "Acquit Thyself a Man," and in a very able address he urged his hearers to be true to the standard of noble manhood inculcated by the principles of their order. The music was a most pleasing feature of the service.

WAALKILL ENGINE CO.

Waalkill Engine Company, No. 6, thirty strong, attended service at Grace Church, Sunday night, when Chaplain David J. Evans preached the annual sermon to the members.

"THE MESSIAH."

Rehearsal at the First Congregational Church, To-Night.

A rehearsal of "The Messiah" will be held, to-night, at the First Congregational chapel. Members of the chorus will be recorded, to-night, to insure seats on the night of the concert. Mr. Clark expects this to be the crowning production of this, the king of oratorios.

The oratorio will be given, December 27, in the Presbyterian Church at Goshen. The chorus will include singers from Goshen, Middletown, Chester, Warwick and all nearby towns, with fine soloists, large orchestra, organ, etc. Admission, 35 cents, to all parts of the house. A few tickets have been left at Young's pharmacy, in this city.

To Former Members of the 24th Separate Company.

Former members of the 24th Separate Company are requested to meet at the armory, Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, to arrange for participation in the reception of Co. I.

Has Taken the Brown Veil.

Miss Margaret, daughter of William Burke, of this city, has taken the brown veil in a New York convent.

TO WELCOME THE SOLDIERS.

Arrangements for the Reception of Co. I—The Line Formation—Chief Higham's Orders to Firemen.

Chief Higham gives notice that the line formation for the reception of Co. I will be as follows:

Platoon of Police.
O. and W. Silver Band.
Gen. Lyon Post, G. A. R.
Gen. Jackson Post, G. A. R.
Capt. Fuller Command, U. V. U.
DeWitt Drum and Fife Corps.
Monhagen Hose Co.
Excelsior Hook and Ladder Co.
Eagle Hose Co.
McQuoid Engine Co.
Phoenix Engine Co.
Ontario Hose Co.
Wallkill Engine Co.
Pioneer Cornet Band.
Order American Mechanics.
All other civic organizations that will report for place.
124th Separate Co.
Honorary members of 24th Separate Co.
Mayor, Common Council, City Officials, Board of Supervisors, General Committee.
Company I, First Reg. N. Y. V.
Carriages.

If the soldiers arrive by the O. and W., the line will form on Wickham avenue, right resting on North street, in the order as designated above, (and each organization will march in column of fours,) to North, to West Main, to James, to Union, to Franklin, to Highland avenue, to armory.

If the soldiers come by the Erie, the line will form on James street, right resting on West Main street in the order as designated above and march to West Main street, to North, to Wickham avenue to the armory.

To the Fire Department:

All members of the fire department are requested to assemble at their respective houses to receive Company I on the sounding of the chief's call, 2-2-2, which will be one hour before the arrival of the train.

The chief's call, 2-2-2, will be sounded when all companies will leave their houses for line formation.

All members to wear fatigue caps, and it is expected that each company will report full membership.

CHAS. HIGHAM, Chief Engineer.

MERCY FOR A MURDERER

William J. Rourke, a Former Newburgher, Has His Life Sentence Commuted to Twenty Years.

At the solicitation of influential men of New York city, whose names will not be made public, Governor Black, on December 6, reduced to twenty years' imprisonment the life sentence imposed upon William J. Rourke, in February, 1887, for killing Roundsman Montgomery. This commutation is recorded as dating from March 1, 1887, and with the full allowance for good behavior will set Rourke at liberty next July.

Rourke was a member of the New York police force, and prior to his appointment was a resident of Newburgh.

AGAIN IN MOURNING.

Soft Coal Again in Use at the Electric Light Station.

Residents in the vicinity of the electric light station are in mourning, to-day, because of the report that several carloads of soft coal have arrived for use at the works. Of late there has been an abatement of the soft coal nuisance, but clouds of black smoke pouring out of the smoke stack, Sunday night, made it apparent that the small stock of anthracite had been exhausted.

For New Year's Night.

Manager George Lea, of the Madison House, says his masquerade ball at the Casino, New Year's night, will surpass anything of the kind ever attempted in Middletown. As Mr. Lea claims to be the oldest theatrical manager in the United States, he ought to know how to arrange for a very successful event of this kind. Many of the presents to be given away can be seen in our merchants windows.

Will Open a Feed Store Up Town.

Wood & Horton have rented the eastern store in the Watts building at West Main and Henry streets, and will open a feed store there January 1st. The store has a rear entrance through the Russell House yard, making it convenient for farmers to load purchases.

Delaware County Will Bring Home a Walton Soldier's Body.

Delaware county's supervisors, Tuesday, unanimously voted to appropriate $250 from the general fund to defray the expenses of bringing home the body of Private Burton M. Beardsley, of Walton, who died at Honolulu, Nov. 26th.

Meeting of Soldiers' Reception Committee.

There will be a meeting of the soldiers' reception committee at the Common Council chamber at 8 o'clock, to-night. A full attendance of members is desired.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

To Hear Charges Against a Policeman—Singers Going to Middletown—Challenge to Ice Sawyers—Junior Endeavorers' Fair—Christmas Tree—Death of John Grant.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—At the meeting of the Board of Trustees, to-night, a hearing will be had on the charge preferred by a taxpayer against a police officer, who is charged with non performance of duty.

—A rehearsal of the Vocal Society will be held at the First Congregational Church, Middletown, to-night. There will be no special car.

—George Space, who is employed at the creamery of Howell Bros. is known throughout this section as a valuable man during the ice harvesting season. He is not given to talking about his ability. He is rather inclined to say nothing and saw ice. Many a man beguiles his leisure hours at this season by wonderful tales of the amount of ice he can saw. To all these persons Mr. Space issues a challenge. He will wager $5 or more that he can saw more ice in one day than any other man in this section. He will meet all comers and is ready now or any day.

—The fair of the Junior Christian Endeavor Society is in progress at the Presbyterian chapel, this afternoon. It will be open from 4 to 7.

—The Presbyterian Sunday school will have a Christmas tree at the Church next Monday evening, the 26th inst.

—About twenty-five couples were out to the Cataracts' promenade concert and hop, at Music Hall, Saturday night.

"When His Wife's Away" is billed to show at Music Hall, Thursday evening, Dec 22.

—John Grant, a former employe of the Newbury foundry, who returned some time ago to his home in Auburn, died there, yesterday, of consumption. He was about thirty-five years of age. A wife and child survive him.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH NOTES.

Music for Christmas Services—Masses on Christmas Day.

—The choir of St. Joseph's Church is making great preparations for the Christmas music. The altar is also being prettily decorated.

—The masses for Christmas day are: High mass, 6 a. m.; low mass, 9 a. m.; high mass, 11 a. m. Mass will be said at the convent at 7 a. m.

—Confessions will be heard Saturday at 4 and 7 p. m.

—Saturday, the Vigil of Christmas, is a fast day of obligation.

To Members of Gen. Lyon Post.

Members of Gen. Lyon Post are requested to hold themselves in readiness to meet promptly at the Post headquarters in time to participate in the reception to Co. I. Notice of the time of the company's arrival will be made public as soon as possible.

Senator Brice's Funeral Train.

The remains of the millionaire, Calvin S. Brice, were taken through this city, Saturday night, on a special train just ahead of Erie No. 5. The train consisted of a baggage car, in which was the body, a day coach for the train crew, a dining car and a Pullman. The only members of the party were the immediate relatives. They were at dinner as the train passed here. The destination of the party was Lima, Ohio.

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Mistah Dewey, you's all right,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Made yo point an won yo' fight,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
If dem natives get too gay
Make dem walk the Spanish way,
Show dem dat you's come to stay,
Hol' dem Philuppines!

Doctah Dewey, doun' yo' care,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Let dat German gemman swear,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Reckon dat yo' saw dem first,
Jus' you say to weinerwurst:
"Come an' take dem if yo' durst!"
Hol' dem Philuppines!

Fesser Dewey, yo' is wa'am,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Reckon yo' ken ride de stohm,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Tell him dat yo' will not grieve
If ol' Diederichs should leave—
Keep dat razzer up yo' sleeve,
Hol' dem Philuppines!

A'm'al Dewey, watch yo' kyards,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Folks all sen' yo' best regyards,
Hol' dem Philuppines!
Make dem fo'iners lay low,
If dey 'sist to pester so,
Make dem take dah clothes an' go,
Hol' dem Philuppines!

—George V. Hobart, in Baltimore News

The Angel Peace.

Sweet Peace, the angel, touches with her wand
Our tropic islands in a far-off sea;
And up and down the length of all our land,
Where War has been, and Death and Grief, all three,
Peace lays her tender hand.

She binds the wounds a cruel foe has made,
And by her touch allays the awful pain;
She stops the flow of life blood by her aid,
And bids the weak grow strong and well again—
Sweet Peace, for whom we prayed.

The sunlight loves to follow in her train,
She bids the wives and maidens, unafraid,
Call back their own to home and love again;
And with a tender grace her hand is laid
On graves of dear ones slain.

And, more than these, wherever Peace may go,
Her trailing robes with gentle touch, and calm,
Will make a friend where once there was a foe,
And perfume every breeze with breath of balm,
Whatever winds may blow.

We hail the coming of thy blessed feet,
Dear Angel Peace! We spring to touch thy hand,
And shout for joy, thy presence is so sweet!
Dwell evermore, we pray, within our land
And make thy sway complete.

—Maria B. H. Hazen, in Good Housekeeping

Sowing the Seed.

"Have you had a kindness shown?"
Keep it not concealed;
To some lonely, yearning soul
Let it be revealed.

When you have enjoyed the fruit,
Plant the precious seed
In another's thankful heart,
There to grow at need.

Thus example bears it on,
And the pilgrim sees
Down the weary path of time
Comfort-giving trees—

Each one marking some good act,
Pity, int'rest, love—
Till the leaf-crowned sentries reach
To the Throne above.

—N. Y. Tribune

A Lilt.

It's hard to sing with the chill wind blowing
Or bravely smile while the rain beats down,
To dim the stream while the torrent's flowing,
Or think of the blue when the heavens frown.
Be hopeful! The sun is but hiding!

The same cold wind repellant in anger,
He cometh a lover in summer to woe;
Flowers most fair are born of its langor,
The stream goes singing the happy days through.
Be patient! No gloom is abiding.

—Clara H. Holmes, in Midland Monthly

Waiting the Tide.

Close moored, apart, as merchant ships may stay
Beyond their sailing hour, to catch at even,
Some tide to start them safer on their way,
And bring them earlier to their destined haven,
So now, though bound to earth-born things, I wait
Life's lingering tide, slow gathering to the flood
'Tis well—lest, rashly venturing through the strait
To reach unchid, I miss my way to God.

—John Troland, in S. S. Times

A Hot Time

The coal fire had long been embraced by the stove,
But the former began to grow cold,
Then the cinders which had been attached to the grate,
For the stove showed their sympathy bold
The result was the grate turned a pale, ashy hue,
And with jealousy fiercely did quake,
Till at last the coal fire said farewell and went out,
And the grate gave the cinders the shake

—Sam Barrett Kirk, in Brooklyn Life

Wind and Wave.

Sweep over the lonely moor, O wild north wind!
Blow, boisterous breeze, which none can bar or bind,

The fancies of a mind with care awry
Disperse, like lingering leaves that moldering lie

Resistless in all to farthest reaches roll,
Scatter in shreds the cobwebs of the soul;

Like broken driftwood on a wreck-strewn strand,
Leave fair and sweet the stretch of wave-washed sand

—St. Paul's

The Villain.

I love to smoke a good cigar
In every scene I play,
I feel just like a villain
As I flip the ash away

I love to taunt the heroine,
To watch the bitter tear,
Come stealing down my victim's cheek;
Whereat I sneer.

But off the stage I'm very meek
And lead an other life
The victim has her innings then—
Alas! she is my wife.

—Detroit Tribune

The Key.

A man knows not a woman's soul
Till she love him; then all the whole
Sweet purity and noble love
That life's woman so far above
In God's own favor is revealed
And her pure thoughts that long lay sealed
And buried deep within her heart
Are now poured forth—for woman's part
In life's great play is just to show
The tenderness man cannot know—
Save by her act brought forth to bright
The tear-dimmed earth with love's pure light.

A skilful navigator knows that his chart, compass and sextant will guide him with unerring certainty across ten thousand miles of tempest-driven ocean straight to one little speck of an island on the almost boundless waters. With the same unfaltering assurance a skilled and scientific physician seeks for some undiscovered remedy in the wide ocean of *materia medica*. He knows that when the nature of a disease is once thoroughly understood he has located the latitude and longitude of the remedy; and its ultimate discovery is only a matter of time. It was in this way that Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., was guided to his world-famous "Golden Medical Discovery" for the cure of consumption.

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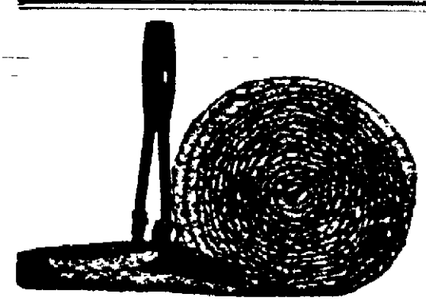

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MR. PARKER

IT WAS during the period when, at certain German baths, the visitors were of all nationalities. Such are the baths where the tedium of the cure is enlivened by the various games of chance. At the particular time of which I write Homburg was crowded, and although the season could scarcely be said fairly to have begun, it was rumored and believed (even upon the authority of the newspapers) that Count B——, an Italian nobleman, had lost the whole of his inheritance, somewhere in the neighborhood of a million lire. But the count kept his head, and so regained the greater part of his fortune, which had been won from him by a French actress to whom he was devoted. He married the actress, and thus got his revenge.

Among the visitors to Homburg, a young married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Parker—who, according to the register, were direct from London — attracted great attention. Mr. Parker was a man of remarkably elegant manners. He was tall, well built, blond, in short a splendid representative of the English gentleman. He had large, dreamy blue eyes, and a remarkably fine set of teeth, most of which he displayed when his lips parted in a smile. From which it will be gathered that his mouth was not small.

Mrs. Parker, on the occasion of her first appearance on the promenade, had attracted the attention, the surprise, and, it must be confessed, the envy of the rest of the ladies. They maintained, in opposition to the men, that all the credit for Mrs. Parker's appearance should be given to the wonderful skill of English tailors, who could transform such a figure as Mrs. Parker evidently naturally possessed into that of a Juno. Mr. Parker, on the other hand (so, at least, the ladies maintained), was so splendidly developed that he did not need to depend on the art and skill of his tailor. Those ladies who had seen Mrs. Parker bathing told wonderful stories of her marvelous red brown hair, which hung in profusion below her waist, and which, when drying in the sun, shone like burnished gold. The fact that the lady had a small mole on her neck was no longer a secret after the third day of her stay at Homburg.

Mr. Parker had the greatest contempt for gambling in which he could not be tempted to indulge, and he took no interest in the gambling table, while he attracted attention by the regularity with which he devoted himself to pistol practice in the southern part of the hotel grounds. By the second day all the visitors had heard wonderful stories of his marvelous skill.

Mr. Parker confessed to two weaknesses — elephant hunting and—philanthropy. To the former he was so devoted that he passed a part of each year in India. His philanthropic undertakings found employment for him during the winter. He spoke of an orphanage which he had founded and endowed at Hamarby, county of York, England, and made no secret of the fact that it was his pet life scheme to further its interests. To that end he devoted much time and a considerable part of his fortune. When speaking of the matter he was inclined to underrate the sacrifices he made, and he treated as trifling the money which he devoted to the development of the orphanage.

His daily pistol practice he continued without interruption. It did not incommode him in the least when the visitors crowded around to witness his skill. Of their applause he took no notice, nor did he allow himself to be drawn into anything approaching an exhibition.

A certain trifling service which a young baron had the opportunity of rendering to Mrs. Parker gave the youthful nobleman the chance of making the acquaintance of the beautiful Englishwoman. Three weeks before, the baron in question has arrived in Homburg, accompanied by his mother. The object of his visit was to restore his health, which had been completely undermined by his fast life. His mother, a prematurely aged woman, was absolutely devoted to her boy, and showed her devotion most touchingly, but the son had a by no means agreeable time. In the first place the diversions in Homburg were not, according to his ideas, numerous, and besides, under the watchful eye of a doting mother, he found himself considerably trammeled. He had managed on the quiet to play a little, and that with success, and in a quarter of an hour he had won a sum which to such a young fellow was a small fortune. Only Mrs. Parker, to whom at the second meeting he had, boylike, opened his heart, knew how much he had won. The whole affair was carefully kept secret from the mother.

The baron was most devoted in his attention to Mrs. Parker, and showed quite plainly that he had fallen a victim to her charms. The lady herself, who took not the slightest interest in her husband's pistol shooting, accepted the advances of the baron very readily. She was seen with him a great deal, and his elegant Ollendorf English seemed to afford her much pleasure. As she was rarely seen with her husband, the rest of the ladies became scandalized in a very short time. The admiration which Mrs. Parker had at first excited gave place to mild contempt, and there was much shrugging of shoulders among the women. The men instead of referring to Mr. Parker as a devilish nice chap began to say: "A most remarkable husband," for he alone seemed to have no suspicion of what was happening, and quietly continued his pistol practice.

The catastrophe followed sooner than was generally expected. In the eyes of Homburg Mrs. Parker had compromised herself. An ugly rumor, started one evening, had by the following morning grown, as such rumors will grow. Everybody heard it, and, last of all, the wronged husband. He did what any other man would have done in his place—challenged the young German to a duel with pistols. The baron who was unable to explain to his own satisfaction how he had been captivated by the graces of Mrs. Parker, found himself in a lamentable quandary. A challenge from Mr. Parker he well knew was equivalent to a death sentence, or at least a very close shave. Should the Englishman insist on the duel there was no doubt as to the result. He thought the matter over very carefully and was suddenly filled with great concern as to the effect which his death would have upon his widowed mother, and, being desirous above all things of sparing her, he persuaded two of his friends, who happened to be in Homburg at the time, to seek out and try to pacify the offended husband.

Mr. Parker received the gentlemen with all the polished politeness of a man of the world.

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Parker, coldly, in French, "I really fail to understand the object of your visit. Surely the details of this matter have been discussed at sufficient length! Nothing more remains to be said."

"You are right, sir," replied the elder of the two ambassadors, "but we have come trusting to your tenderness of heart, and we are sure you will not be able to turn a deaf ear to our plea. We have come to appeal to you, not on behalf of the baron, but for the sake of his mother, to whom he is all in all, and who will certainly die of grief if anything happens to her ideal. We ask you to agree to other terms. Would you poison and curtail the life of a weak woman? Think of your own mother." Then the speaker explained at length to Mr. Parker that the baron was the last male representative of his line, the last of a famous house, and that the rumor, even, of the approaching duel might cause the mother's death.

Mr. Parker listened with quiet dignity, and when the gentleman closed with a warm appeal to his goodness of heart, the Englishman rose, and without losing any of his dignity, or relaxing his severity of expression, said:

"I will not have the death of the mother on my conscience; just give me time to think of some way out of this. I will write to you to-morrow."

The two callers took leave, after having overwhelmed Mr. Parker with words of gratitude for his magnanimity. Their thanks seemed to embarrass him, for as he held out his hand his eyes modestly sought the floor.

Next morning the gentlemen received the following letter:

"Dear Sirs—

"You appealed to my sympathy. As I said to you yesterday, I will not be guilty of depriving the mother of her son, and I do not think that in Homburg there could be two opinions as to what would be the outcome of the duel which was to have taken place between the baron and me. I withdraw the challenge. In return for this I expect the baron to pay over to my orphans such a sum as he may himself determine. At the same time I take it for granted that he values his young life at, at least £1,000. Will you have the goodness to make this known to the baron?

"Finally, gentlemen, I must lay particular stress on the fact that, as I leave Homburg to-morrow morning, I shall have to lay upon you the condition, as men of honor, to clear up any misunderstanding which may arise as to the cause of my having backed out of the duel. I trust to your fairness to justify me wherever and whenever you shall find it necessary or advisable."

On the following day Mr. Parker received from the baron a letter of regret and apology, and a check for £1,200. The promise was also made to send more as soon as the writer should be in a position to do so. The £1,200 sent was all that he had in hand at that moment.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker at once left Homburg, and on the following day a new scandal occupied the minds and wagged the tongues of the visitors. The baron, it is scarcely necessary to say, speedily quitted Homburg, as he had no wish to keep alive the story of his misfortune and of Mr. Parker's magnanimity. He succeeded, strange as it may seem, in hiding all knowledge of the affair from his mother. The £1,200 with which he had bought his life was pretty nearly the amount he had won at the gambling table.

He did not forget his promise to Mr. Parker, and a few years later, when he came into possession of his estates he sent a check for £300 to the trustees, orphanage of Hamarby, York. Strange to say, the letter came back unopened, but the envelope was covered with notes which gave the following information: The so-called Parker orphanage at Hamarby had formerly consisted of a tumbled-down hovel inhabited by an old woman and a cripple, but at the time of writing nothing but the ruins remained. Parker, who was a well-known swindler, had, two years previously, escaped arrest by flight. With him had fled his beloved Mary Cowen, his accomplice.

Six years after the Homburg incident I happened to drop into a circus in the fair at Lutritz. At the beginning of the second turn a tall, well-built man, got up as a Tyrolese peasant with a rifle over his shoulder, came out, followed by a woman who although no longer young, had a magnificent figure. She acted as page, and carried a case of elegant pistols. She held a piece of paper in her hand while the Tyrolese aimed at it. Then she put a pipe between her lips, and the artist shot the pipe away. The page was none other than the beautiful woman who had been the cynosure of all eyes at Homburg; the Tyrolese who showed such dexterity was Mr. Parker, the former president of the board of trustees of the orphanage at Hamarby.

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Parksville			3 16			2 47		6 55
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Ferndale			3 41			2 55		6 41
Hurleyville			4 01			3 06		6 50
Fallsburgh			4 19			3 14		6 57
Centreville			4 40			3 20		7 04
Mount'n D.			4 50			3 25		7 10
Summitville		6 06	5 10			3 45		7 21
Wurtsboro			5 20			3 52		7 33
Bloom'gburgh			5 28			3 57		7 38
Winterton			5 4			4 02		7 43
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Middletown lv		6 43	6 30			4 30		8 10
Middletown Main St.			6 23			4 32		8 12
Stony Ford			6 59			4 46		8 25
Campbell H.			7 5			4 52		8 31
Burnside			7 22			5 07		8 46
Little Britain			7 33			5 08		8 46
Orr's Mills			8 01			5 19		8 55
Fitchcliffe			8 10			5 21		8 55
Cornwall		7 23	8 20			5 23		9 02
Weehawken		8 45	10 50			7 00		10 30
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New York Ar. Franklin St.		9 15	11 30			7 25		10 56
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* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 6 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p. m. for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 4 15 p. m. Sunday only 8 30 a. m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 11 30 a. m., and 3 5, 6 50 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 10 50 a. m., and 3 10 and 5 40 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and 11 00 a. m. and 4 4 p. m. except Saturday 1 30 p. m. Sunday only 2 10 p. m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 2 45 and 5 35 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 15 p. m. except Saturday 12 37 p. m.

Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1 35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arriving at 6 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 2 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 20 p. m.

Leave Walton 7 00 a. m. stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12 5 p. m. Leave Norwich 6 15 a. m. all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a. m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10 00 a. m., *3 45 and 7 40 p. m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10 02 a. m., and 2 10 p. m. or further particulars see local card.

Passenger Rates Reduced to Two Cents Per Mile.

Lowest rates of fare to all points west. One to three dollars less than other lines.

Express Trains Nos. 5 and 6 run solid between New York and Suspension Bridge. Reclining Chair Car from New York to Chicago without change (free to through passengers), and Wagner Buffet Sleeping Car without change from New York to Chicago.

No. 5 arrives at Chicago 9 35 p. m.

No. 6 leaves Chicago via Wabash R. R. 3 15 p. m.

Secure rates via Ontario & Western before purchasing tickets and save money.

J. Anderson, General Passenger Agent.
W. M. Tiel, Traveling Agent.
Middletown, N. Y.

First National Bank.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec 10th, 1898.

The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms at the bank on Tuesday, January 10 h, 1899 from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

dc 14-10 SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier

JACOB GUNTHER.

Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars

Agent for Bulls and Bruderhof Mineral Well.

ERIE RAILROAD

Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago. Through tickets, baggage checks and detailed information may be obtained from the local ticket agents of the company.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED DEC. 11, '98.

Eastern Time.		N. Spec'l, Spec'l 617	601	625	8	7	29	25	15	27	5	33	11	9	1	21	17	22	14	S. Spec'l 606	S. Spec'l 620	Sun 18
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*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Sunday leave Main St. 11 10 a. m.; leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11 40 a. m., daily, except Sunday 6 55 p. m. daily.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7 27 a. m., daily except Sunday, 11 20 a. m. daily except Sunday, 4 54 p. m., daily except Sunday and holidays 6 31 p. m. holidays only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11 20 a. m. and 6 35 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Newburgh via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7 35 a. m. daily, except Sunday and holidays; 10 50 a. m., daily, except Sunday only; 9 09 p. m. daily; 10 25 p. m. Sundays. Trains 30 and 2 connect for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7 45 a. m., daily except Sundays and holidays; 11 10 a. m., daily, except Sunday, 1 23 p. m. daily, except Sundays and holidays, 6 20 a. m., daily except Sunday, 5 37 p. m., Sundays only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28, 30, 38 and Sunday Specials 601, 606, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, 50 cents or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

A pretty little story is going the rounds just now about a young woman, whose kind heart and noble nature won her an unexpected and generous reward.

A stranger within the gates of the then village of Middletown was taken ill here. His condition became serious and he was removed to the home of the lady in question, where her parents aided her in the careful and never-failing nursing, which finally brought him back to health and happiness.

A few years later he died, and in his will he provided an amount variously estimated from $4,000 to $10,000 for the girl who had nursed him to health years before.

The good hearted men of this city who have been steadily paying in their regular assessment for the support of the wives and children of the "boys" since last May, will not cease when the boys get home. Each man who is out of a job will be given assistance in getting one and helped along until he secures it. Several of the members will find themselves out of employment when they reach here. Two former business men have sold out while in the service, Capt. A. E. McIntyre and Q. M. Geo M. Millspaugh. Their plans will be of interest to their friends.

"What makes these dull times?" a complainer was asked.

"Several things, but principally among them are the supporting of a trolley road and the existence of so many industrial insurance companies, whose good sized staffs collect from 10 to 25 cents a week from the working men and their families for insurance.

The return of the 24th boys is looked forward to as certain to be followed by a "picking up." One man said, "Saturday, the absence of those boys has made a difference of from $50 to $75 a week in my cash receipts."

Sheriff Strong's daughter is interested in the legal battles which are now taking place in Goshen, and each day she is in attendance, accompanied by several friends. They listen intently to the lawyers, and the latter do not seem to be the least bit embarrassed by the presence of their fair auditors.

Not in ten years has there been so much complaining among hotel and saloon men of dull times as now. Some are talking of giving up the business at the expiration of their present licenses.

That business is dull is plain to every frequenter of these resorts. Saturday nights are about the only nights that the places have many patrons and even then they do not spend very much. The business men who "drop in" occasionally of week nights after the stores have closed, complain over a stein of "Orange County" or other favorite brew, of the dullness of trade, "a week before Christmas." Lots of people, they say, call in and look over the Christmas goods, but if they buy at all, cheapness is first considered.

A number of weddings will probably follow the return of the boys. There is a generous number of girls here who have just made up their minds that: "You can bet he don't get as far away as that from me again, if I can help it."

Crazed by Jersey Applejack.

A man, who gave his name as John Umbria, was arrested in New York, Saturday night, for assaulting the bartender in a saloon, and nearly killing him. Umbria was supposed to be a maniac, but Sunday morning he was sane enough. He declared that he had never seen his victim before, and had no recollection of the events of Saturday evening. He had been in New Jersey in the afternoon, and had drunk freely of applejack, which he suspected had crazed him. The justice agreed with him, but held him in $1,500 bail.

Next Entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. Course.

J. Wm. Meey's recitals and buffoonings have established him as favorite at a glance. His versatility enables him to give a wide range of style in his program numbers, his recitals varying from the serious to the hilariously funny. His songs are gems of the buffo school. Better secure your seats at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's at once, as a crowd is expected on Christmas night at the Casino. This is the second of the Y. M. C. A. course.

An Erie Fireman Injured.

Harry Chambers, a fireman on the New York division of the Erie, was quite seriously hurt at Spring Tank, Friday, while "coling round." He slipped from the steam chest and fell to the ground and received some bad cuts in the face and on the head and severely wrenched his back.

For Many Years

"I have suffered untold agony from rheumatism, which has afflicted me for many years. Since using six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I find myself entirely cured of that painful disease. I am unable to praise this great medicine enough. It is unequal." Mrs. E. A. Alverson, Pleasant Valley, N. Y.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. 25c.

Every household accidents have no terrors when there's a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in the medicine chest. Heals burns, cuts, bruises, sprains. Instant relief.

Shadow of Herself

Stomach Was Too Weak to Retain Food

A Complete Cure Effected by Hood's Sarsaparilla

Now Enjoying the Best of Health, With Digestion Perfect.

"My mother was subject to sick headaches and indigestion for over a year. She was unable to stand for any length of time, and was obliged to stay in a dark room as she could not bear the light. She had no appetite whatever and her stomach was so weak she could not retain what food she did eat. She also had severe pains in her head. She suffered so much that she became but the shadow of herself. One day I happened to read a testimonial about Hood's Sarsaparilla. It

Sounded So Truthful

I persuaded her to try this medicine. Before finishing the first bottle there was an improvement in her condition. She no longer threw up her food and her headache was not as severe. She took in all four bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and several boxes of Hood's Pills and regained her weight. She is now enjoying the best of health. Her digestion is good and she can eat almost anything she wishes. She is 42 years old and says she feels as well as when she was 16. Hood's Sarsaparilla made a complete cure in her case." Miss Mary Mascarie, Ironton, Ohio.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills the family cathartic, easy to operate. 25c

UNDER THE MISTLETOE.

Scandinavian Mythology Gives the Right to Kiss Those Standing Under It.

From the Albany Argus.

"Kissing under the mistletoe" is a relic of Scandinavian mythology. Loki, the god of strife, hated Balder, the Apollo of the north. "Everything that springs from fire, air, earth and water" was harmless to the favorite god. So the wicked Loki made an arrow of mistletoe and gave it to the blind God to test, thereby causing the death of Balder. He was restored to life at the repeated requests of the gods, and the mistletoe was given to the goddess of love. Every one who passed under it received a kiss to show that the branch was the emblem of love and not of death.

Much of the mistletoe used at Christmas in this country is imported from the forest of Fontainebleau, in France, where its growth was no doubt fostered in ancient times by the Druids, and where it is still very plentiful. But it extends nearly all over Europe, from Sweden to the Mediterranean, and is very common in the southern and western counties of England. The American mistletoe has the same manner of growth, and is similar in general appearance to the European, but its leaves and stems are of a more yellowish green, and its berries are white, while those of the European mistletoe are red.

COUNTING THE SOLDIER VOTE.

The Long Suspense as to the Mayoralty Contest to Be Ended To-morrow.

Middletown will know, to-morrow, who has been elected Mayor. The inspectors of election will meet in the several election districts at 10 o'clock, open the envelopes containing the ballots, deposit the ballots in the ballot box and then open the ballot box and count and return the vote.

The object of all this ceremony is to preserve the secrecy of the ballot, but in the First District of the Fourth Ward, where but one ballot is to be counted, this will avail nothing, and everyone may know just how that district's soldier, William J. Powers, of 19 Washington street, voted.

The chairmen of the boards of inspectors in the several districts went to Goshen, to-day, and received the ballots from the county clerk.

THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting, Saturday Night—Drafts Ordered for Sinking Fund and Bond Accounts.

A special meeting of the Water Board was held Saturday night, attended by Messrs. Stratton, Tompkins, West, Millen and Ducks.

Drafts were ordered drawn for the $2,000 due the sinking fund and $2,000 due on the principal of the bond held by the State Comptroller.

The superintendent was instructed to keep boys off the reservoir.

Real Estate Notes.

Through the real estate agency of Gardner & McWilliams Mrs. Sarah D. Cox, of Bloomingburgh, has sold the farm of eighty-four acres known as the A. M. Cox farm, near Fair Oaks, to I. W. Seely, of the town of Mount Hope.

WESTCOWN.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the West town M. E. Church will have their Christmas bazar at the parsonage, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Dec 20 and 21

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

Cures a Cough or Cold in one day! Why cough and risk Consumption? This famous remedy will cure you. Doctors recommend it. Price 25 cents. Sold by all druggists.

WROTE MASONIC SECRETS.

Binghamton Masons Who Have Got Themselves and Their Lodge Into Serious Trouble.

Deputy Grand Master Walter Hand, at a recent session of Otsiningo Lodge, F. and A. M., of Binghamton, announced that members had violated their oaths by writing down the secrets of a Masonic degree, and that he was empowered by the Grand Master of the State to withdraw the charter of the lodge and expel the members implicated.

A piece of paper was found on the sidewalk several days ago bearing lodge secrets. It was found by a prominent Mason, who forwarded it to headquarters. The order sent to Mr. Hand was the result. The handwriting was that of a prominent Mason, who was a candidate for Master of the lodge. Four other prominent Masons were connected with the affair.

Mr. Hand said that, after investigation, he thought the disclosure of secrets was the result of too much zeal rather than a desire to injure Masonry, and for that reason he would carefully probe the facts before taking action.

OUR PENSION ROLL.

From the New York Times

In the year 1879, fourteen years after the close of the civil war, the number of pensioners on the pension roll was 242,755, and the amount paid them in that year was a little less than $34,000,000. Last year—nineteen years later and thirty-three years after the close of the war—the number of pensioners was 993,714, and the sum paid them was a little less than $145,000,000. The total number of men furnished to the Union Army by the States during the entire war was 2,778,304. We are, therefore, paying pensions to-day to an army more than one-third of the total number of men under the flag during the four years of the war, and of these three-fourths have become pensioners within the last twenty years.

PROGRESS.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

"But you cannot deny the constant progress of the race, Mr. Oalfongs?"

"X—no, I guess I can't. That boy I mine is afforded twice the opportunities to make a howling ass of himself that I had at his age."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Dec 19, '98

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	124	124¾
Tobacco	141	141½
Chicago Gas	109	109½
Nat. Lead	37¾	37¼
General Electric	92¾	92⅝
U. S. L., pref.	65¾	65½
Penn. Coal and Iron	36½	36½
A. T. & S. F.	18¾	18½
C. B. & Q.	121⅝	121⅝
C. M. & St. P.	116¾	116¾
E. I.	109¾	109⅝
D. L. & W.	---	---
C. of N. J.	---	94
Erie	---	14½
D. and H.	108	104½
O. & W.	17¾	17⅝
Susquehanna & Western	---	---
Susquehanna & West., pref.	---	---
P. & R.	19	19
N. W.	142	140⅝
L. S.	---	---
N. Y. C.	123⅝	123
M. P.	42¾	42¾
Texas	16	16¾
U. P.	38⅝	40¼
W. Union	90⅜	91½
L. & N.	64	63⅝
Manhattan	96½	96¼
P. M.	42¾	43
Wabash, pref.	21	22¾
No. Pacific, pref.	76¼	76⅛
Metropolitan Traction	191½	192
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	72⅜	72⅜
Southern, pref.	41⅞	42⅜

CHICAGO MARKET.

May Wheat	66⅞	67½
May Corn	31⅝	32⅝
May Oats	28⅝	28¾
May Pork	$9 70	$9 67
May Lard	5 32	5 35

DIED.

LEHN—At rest, Dec. 19th, '98 in this city, Jacob C. Lehn, aged twenty-seven years. Funeral notice later.

BUSINESS CARDS.

JOHN LONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15 Lady assistant Open day and night.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephones—15s residence, 318 office Hudson River or long distance telephone No 251. Branch office 40 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, 48 Great James St., New York. Lady Assistant.

DOUGHERTY & CAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 56 Cottage street, Middletown Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone Lady assistant.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3 Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

Trenton Butter Crackers,

SOMETHING NEW,

10 Cts. a Pound.

TRY THEM.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON

Hudson River Telephone No. 5

Orange Co. Telephone No 92.

S. M. BOYD,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC,

4 EAST MAIN STREET.

FIRE INSURANCE.

ONE CENT A WORD

for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

TURKEY Ride, corner Union and Franklin streets, every night this week. It

ROOMS TO LET—Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 21 Myrtle avenue

LARGEST Assortment of juvenile books in the city at DAYTON'S

EMULSION Cod Liver Oil that gives fresh and strength after Large size 75c at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy 57 North St. near postoffice.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 99-41-Jly14'99

CROSBY will have two special sales this Saturday evening and Monday A fine dressed doll for 49c. A fine dressed jointed French doll, with a big jointed head for 39c

HOBBY Horses 49c and up. Toys of all kinds. An endless variety at DAYTON'S.

CROSBY will sell collector's blankbooks this evening and Monday at reduced prices. One style at 19 25 29 79 and 89c.

HANDSOME in great variety at prices ranging from 25 to $1 29 at DAYTON'S.

PALMS and FERNS A large assortment, especially for Christmas. SELDING'S flower store, 40 North street 30 6t

ROOMS to Let. Enquire of W. A. VAIL, 65 Mill street. 79dtf

FOR SALE at a Bargain—One good rock horse, one lumber box wagon, one light wagon, one cart, one pair bob sleighs, two sets of harness. Enquire at 37 Broad street 30dtf CHAS KEENER.

WHITE Pine Balsam will cure your cough. Large bottle 25c at JOHN J. HAMBER'S Druggist, 57 North St., near postoffice

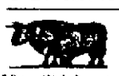
WILL Exchange city residence for small farm near Middletown. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown

TO LET—Nice Cottage on Harrison street seven rooms, all modern improvements. 6dtf Inquire of F. D. VOLGRADOR.

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices will continue at VANFLEET'S.

ROOMS to Let. Enquire at meat market, corner Depot avenue and Albert street. 20 6t

HOMES Wanted for Boys—Parties willing to offer a good home to a friendless boy of any age, from infancy to ten years, and who will receive the child as a member of the family and give it such care and train it as will fit it for a life of self-support and usefulness, are invited to correspond with STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION, 12dawlmJan7 105 East 22d St., New York City.



SAUSAGE 3 pounds 25c., Pork chops 3 pounds 25c., Pork Shoulders 6c., trimmed 7c; Legs Lamb 12½c., Legs Mutton 10c., Steak 10c., Chickens and Fowls 2½c. 29 3t GR ENINGS.

HATS for Xmas Gifts—Nothing will make a nicer present than a pretty hat or bonnet. We have a very large assortment of ready trimmed hats, and will sell them at one third less than the already low prices on them. MRS BUSH, 142 North street.

MIDDLETOWN HAND LAUNDRY, 11 DEPOT ST

M. A. HAWES,

Successor to Mrs. E. Allison, makes a specialty of doing fine laundry work. All work washed and ironed by hand.

Family washing our specialty. Goods called for and delivered. 17d3m Mch2

25 Per Cent. Discount

Prevails on All Heavy Clothing During Our Holiday Reduction Sale.

We have many useful Holiday Presents for men, and all our prices are lower than prevail anywhere.

Neckties and Mufflers in All Styles! Umbrellas and Fur Caps! Look Us Over.

This is our Trade Mark.

Budwig & Co

8 NORTH ST

MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

Look for it when you buy Clothing

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COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

Having received the tax warrant for the town of Wallkill I will receive taxes, beginning Tuesday, Dec 20th, 1898 and for thirty days thereafter at one per cent at my residence at Van Bureaville, N. Y., except the following dates, when I will be at the places named:

Friday, Dec. 23d, at hotel of M. S. Askew, Fair Oaks, N. Y.

Tuesday, Dec. 27th 1898, at King's Hotel Howells, N. Y.

Friday, Dec 30th, at Orange County Trust and Safe Deposit Co.'s Bank.

Tuesday, Jan. 3d, 1899 at hotel of Thomas Hennessey, Circleville, N. Y.

Thursday, Jan 5th, 1899 at store of John Hatch Scotchtown, N. Y.

Tuesday, Jan 10th, 1899, at hotel of L. V. Bauer, in Philipsburgh, N. Y.

Thursday Jan 12th, 1899, at hotel of Charles Bellinger, Mechanictown, N. Y.

Tuesday, Jan 17th 1899, at the First National Bank Middletown, N. Y.

The hours for receiving taxes will be from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

All taxes remaining unpaid at the end of 30 days, will be charged at the rate of 5 per cent.

V. K. CARPENTER,

d1tw27,30,3,16 Collector of the town of Wallkill.

$5.25 A HUNDRED FOR Graulated Sugar.

$4 25 a Barrel Washburn Crosby & Co's Flour

SLOAT'S CASH STORE

THE LARGEST STOCK OF

Diamonds, Watches Clocks, Jewelry, Silver Ware

to be found for miles around. We buy for cash and give our customers the benefit.

D. C. DUSENBERRY & SON,

Watchmakers and Opticians.

Middletown's oldest jewelry store

Programme This Week at Cottage Theatre, Mechanictown.

Miss Ward, serio-comic; Miss Carrie Kaufman, operatic singer; Miss Meerson coon shouter song and dance; Ed Reeves, champion clog dancer of the world. Dance Thursday night. Amateur Night, Saturday night.

Christmas Presents!

What to Buy and the Best Place to Buy Them.

For Women.

Dainty Dressing Sacques.....79, 98c., $1.48, $1.98
Sterling Silver Nail Files.....19, 25, 49c
Sterling Silver Button Hooks.....19, 25, 49c
Sterling Silver Letter Seals....19, 25, 49c
Sterling Silver Paper Cutters..19, 25, 49c
Sterling Silver Cuticles.....19, 25, 49c
Sterling Silver Hair Curlers.....25, 49c
Sterling Silver Stocking Darners..25, 49c
Sterling Silver Shoe Horns.....49c
Sterling Silver Nail Brushes.....49c
Sterling Silver Tooth Brushes.....49c
Sterling Silver Emery Balls.....25c
Sterling Silver Hat Mark.....25c
Sterling Silver Smelling Bottle.....98c
Sterling Silver Scissors, Steel Blade.....98c
Sterling Silver Nail Buffers.....98c
Metal Back Long Comb.....25c
White Metal Bonnet Brushes.....19, 48c
Ladies' Beauty Pins.....5c Each
Metal Picture Frames.....19, 25, 39, 48c
Special Lot Hand Mirrors.....49c
Toilet Sets, Brush, Comb and Mirror.....98c to $2.48
Large Moon Mirrors.....39c
Special Pocket Books.....25, 48, 75, 98c
Special Handkerchiefs...5, 10, 15, 25, 45c
Holiday Perfumes.....10, 15, 25, 39, 48c
Fancy Boxes Paper....10, 19, 25, 39, 49c
Fancy Ink Wells...19, 25, 39, 48, 68, 98c
Leather Writing Tablets.....98c
Postage Stamp Boxes.....19c
Puff Boxes.....19, 25, 39, 48, 98c
Nickel Nut Picks, six in a box.....10c
Nut Pick and Crackers.....25, 39, 48c
Fruit Knifes in a Fine Case.....
Jardinnieres.....10, 25, 38, 79c
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